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# Announcement of the 1st SBS Rice Tender

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#### **Report Highlights:**

On October 19, Taiwan announced its first Simultaneous-Buy-Sell (SBS) rice tender for 5,000 metric tons. Bidding is scheduled for November 16. The process is designed for multiple winners and contracts are awarded to bidders who offer the highest mark-ups in terms of the difference between import and market price. The SBS tender is not associated with a grain specification so that it is tendered for all types and forms of rice. Ten thousand metric tons of rice under the 2006 public sector quota will be tendered under (SBS) system. The other 5,000 ton SBS tender is anticipated in December.

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# Announcement of the 1st so-called SBS Public Rice Tender

Taiwan has announced the 1<sup>st</sup> simultaneous-Buy-Sell (SBS) tender for 5,000 metric tons of brown rice under the 2006 public sector import quota. The Council of Agriculture will hold an SBS meeting on October 27 with the rice industry to receive comments.

Tender Invitation No.: GF4-950188

Rice Type: Brown Rice Crop Year: 2006 Quantity: 5,000 MT

Delivery: January 1 to April 30 in 2007

Tender Date: Nov. 16, 2006

#### **SBS Tender**

- 1. Total quota under SBS for 2006 public sector imports is 10,000 tons, which is divided into two tenders for 5,000 tons each (Refer to TW6030 for 2006 public rice tender schedule).
- 2. Bidding lot size for each bidder is between 20 and 2,000 tons. The bidding team can consist of one importer with a maximum four other millers, wholesalers or retailers or the importer with him or her self.
- 3. Tenders are awarded to bidders who offer the highest mark-up. This is the difference between import and market price on any types or forms of rice or rice products based on conversion ratios to brown rice.
- 4. Taiwan has temporarily suspended U.S. long grain rice imports since LL rice 601 was discovered in U.S. long grain rice on August 18, 2006.

On August 30 announced first normal public rice tender for 14,000 tons of medium rice has failed twice and will be re-announced shortly (refer to TW034).